The Wethersfield Historic District Commission held a Public Hearing on March 9, 2010 at the Wethersfield Town Hall, Town Manager's Conference Room – First Floor, 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, Connecticut.

Members Present: Robert Garrey, Chairperson

John Maycock, Vice Chairperson

Michael Rell

Mark Raymond, Alternate

Members Absent: Gary McLeod, Clerk

Susan O'Brien

Lisa Wurzer, Alternate Bette Botticello, Alternate

Also Present: Kristin Stearley, Historic District Coordinator

Linda Messina, Recording Secretary

Commissioner Garrey called the meeting to order at 7:30PM, and read the opening comments. Commissioner Maycock, Clerk Pro Tem, read the Legal Notice as it appeared in the *Hartford Courant* on February 26, 2010.

<u>APPLICATION NO. 3788-10</u>. Lucky Lou's Bar and Grill seeking to expand the patio 25' towards the parking lot at 222 Main Street.

Lukas Kyrakos of 57 Windy Hill Drive, South Windsor, appeared before the Commission. He would like to expand the existing patio 25'. He will continue with the existing pavement and grade it so that it's flat and even, so when hosed down, water will drain onto the grass. He will expand off of the existing posting to match. The fence will remain, but he will repair any damaged areas and he will use the same fencing around the addition. He will color match the fence to match the building. The corner posts will be white sailcloth and the fence will be Kennebunkport Green. There will be an outdoor BBQ brick area which will be stone. It will have a stone top. He will have an outdoor seating area/dry bar area which will be brick and the top will be limestone. The landscaping will be continued to match the existing. He will re-seed/re-sod all grass. There is an existing opening in the fence, but there are no gates currently. According to the Fire Marshall, it is not necessary to add gates to the existing opening, but he can if he wants to. The drawing shows a gate swinging in, however, it will have to swing out. All trees have been pruned in an effort to alleviate some of the moisture and help prevent the mosquito problem. He may hang some spotlights off the side of the building. Neighboring property is owned by the town and he has been given approval to hang spotlights if necessary. He will have plain umbrellas on the tables with no advertising.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application.

Amy Northrup, Director, Wethersfield Historical Society Governing Board, spoke in favor of the application through written correspondence dated February 25, 2010. The Wethersfield Historical Society Governing Board voted to approve the proposed plans for expansion of the patio at their February 25, 2010 meeting.

Steve Kelley of 29 Old Smithy Lane, Wethersfield, spoke in opposition to the application through written correspondence dated March 9, 2010.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone else wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

<u>APPLICATION NO. 3787-10.</u> Paul Brennan seeking to reconstruct the rear porch, repair the front porch, replace the rear and front entry doors and replace the kitchen windows at 118 Church Street. (Tabled from the February 23, 2010 meeting. The last date to act is April 13, 2010.)

The applicant phoned Kristin Stearley to let her know that he could not attend tonight's meeting.

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock seconded by Commissioner Rell, and a poll of the commission, it was voted to close the public hearing on all applications and open the public meeting.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, Rell, Raymond

<u>APPLICATION NO. 3788-10</u>. Lucky Lou's Bar and Grill seeking to expand the patio 25' towards the parking lot at 222 Main Street.

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner Raymond and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application as submitted.

Discussion

Commissioner Maycock stated that he thinks this will be a nice addition to the property. The owner has done nothing but make this property more attractive for the District.

Commissioner Garrey agrees. It's a patio with a short fence. It doesn't distract from the building. Everything that he's doing is in keeping with material and style. The umbrellas are not considered permanent fixtures.

Commissioner Raymond questioned whether they should be discussing or making note of what will be allowed for umbrellas.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, Rell, Raymond

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 23, 2010

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner Rell and a poll of the Commission, the minutes of the February 23, 2010 meeting were approved with the following change:

1. Application #3785-10, Commissioner Rell voted Aye and Commissioner Maycock voted Nay.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, Rell, Raymond

OTHER BUSINESS

Public comments on general matters of the Historic District

None.

Report of the Historic District Coordinator

None.

Correspondence

None.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Upon motion by Commissioner Garrey, seconded by Commissioner Maycock and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to ADJOURN the meeting at 7:50 PM.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, Rell, Raymond

PRE-APPLICATION MEETING

Richard Bukowski of 26 Oldham Road seeking to discuss appropriate siding materials to correct tornado damage to existing siding.

Richard Bukowski of 26 Oldham Road appeared before the Commission. The siding on his house was damaged in the tornado. The insurance agent/company isn't willing to pay for the owner to reside the whole house, only one side. Steve Czerwinski of Steve Czerwinski, Inc. provided samples of replacement siding. The new siding material will not match the existing siding in color/texture. An "in-kind" repair or replacement does not require Commission action. However, if there is a change in the siding material that does not match the existing in color, texture, shape or pattern, Commission action would be required.

Respectfully Submitted
TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

John Maycock Clerk Pro Tem